THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The institutes *viz.* All India Institute of Medical Sciences. New Delhi, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh and Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi are under the control of the Ministry.

(b) and (c) The All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research Chandigarh are autonomous bodies set up under the Acts of Parliament. The pay scales of teaching faculties are fixed by the Institutes as per the provisions of respective Acts. The teaching posts at Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi, are part of Teaching sub cadre of Central Health Service. The pay and allowances admissible to the officers of Teaching sub cadre of Central Health Service, which are decided by the Government on the recommendation of Central Pay Commission, are granted to the teaching faculty of Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi.

Reserve Posts for Teaching Specialists

†3686. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI : Wll the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government keep reserve posts under which Teaching Specialists working in Lady Hardinge Medical College, Maulana Azad Medical College and JIPMER, can go for training in new and modern courses;

(b) if so, the number of reserve posts and the percentage thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not keeping these reserve posts on immediate basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) to (c) The Teaching Specialists working in the Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi, Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi and JIPMER, Pondicherry belong to the Cadre of Central Health Services. As per CHS Rules, 1996. which govern the service conditions of officers of Central Health Service including Teaching Specialists, there is no provision for reserves for attending training courses. However, training programmes are conducted exclusively for Central Health Service officers to keep them abreast with development in the field of medicine.

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